



United States Department of Agriculture

Rural Development

Wyoming

FY 2016: \$193.6 Million Invested

State Highlights

- Funded Aspen Mountain Medical Center in Rock Springs. This is a \$19.17 million project to provide access to specialized medical care.
- Directly supported the modernization of the South Big Horn County Hospital with a \$3.99 million Community Facilities Loan. This project provided updated services to the residents of Big Horn County.
- Recognized partners-Habitat for Humanity and Riverton High School, for their contribution to providing homes for the residents of Riverton.
- Obligated nine REAP grants to businesses ranging from grocery stores to breweries to tourism companies.
- Approved a Rural Economic Development Loan for \$1 million to Lower Valley Energy Inc. in Afton and for \$550,000 to High West Energy Inc. in Pine Bluffs.
 - Pass-through loans ultimately designated to Energy Conservation Works and Pine Bluffs Distilling respectively
- Obtained commitment from EDA to fund a full time position on the Wind River Reservation to act as a neutral liaison between the tribes. The position will work with the tribes on projects that require both tribes' approvals before proceeding.
- Provided a \$334,000 grant to Northern Arapaho Tribe to install pumps, controls and new water lines at the site of new buildings for Wyoming Indian Elementary School near Ethete.

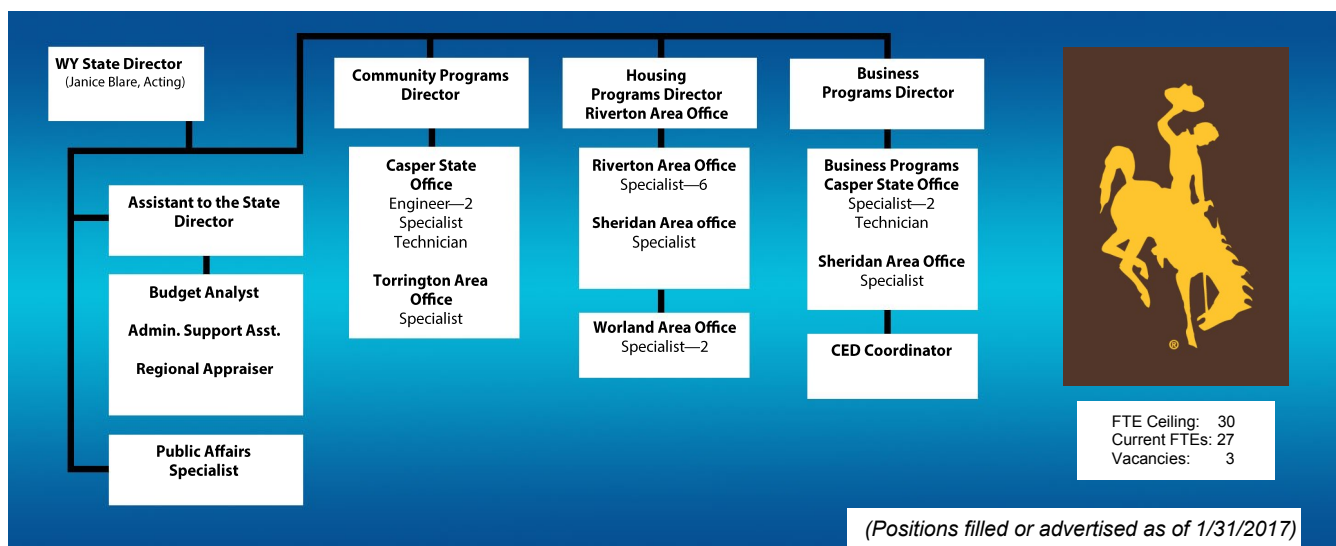


Wyoming State Program Obligations, Fiscal Year 2016*

Program Name	Amount	Count
Business and Industry Guaranteed Loans	\$108,500	1
Renewable Energy Loans and Grants	\$352,312	9
Rural Business Enterprise Grants	\$105,000	5
Rural Economic Development Loans/	\$1,550,000	2
Value-Added Producer Grants	\$45,930	2
Single Family Housing Direct Loans	\$12,248,242	67
Single Family Housing Guaranteed Loans	\$163,396,193	895
Home Repair Loans and Grants	\$122,936	17
Rental Assistance	\$6,091,574	50
Community Facility Direct Loans	\$1,644,000	2
Community Facility Grants	\$174,400	8
Water and Waste Direct Loans	\$3,849,000	5
Water and Waste Grants	\$3,821,000	6
Housing Preservation Grant	\$46,021	1
Multi-Family Housing Vouchers	\$80,388	12
Total	\$193,637,496	1,082

* These figures reflect appropriations data for 22 major Rural Development programs as of the end of Fiscal Year 2016. Some minor programs are not represented.

State Organizational Chart



State Fast Facts

Indicator	Rural Wyoming	Wyoming
Population*	402,172	585,501
% White	91.34%	92.7%
% Black	0.60%	1.4%
% American Indian and Alaska Native	2.81%	2.7%
% Asian	0.90%	1.0%
% Native Hawaiian	0.08%	0.1%
% Other race	1.78%	2.1%
% Multi-racial	2.50%	2.2%
% Latino	8.75%	9.9%
Geographic Area*	89,067 sq. mi.	97,093 sq. mi.
Population Density*	4.51 ppl/sq. mi.	5.8 ppl/sq. mi.
MHI (2010 dollars)**	\$58,236	\$58,840
Poverty**	12.15%	11.1%
Unemployment**	5.5%	5.20%
Median Home Value*	\$189,308	\$194,800
Home Ownership Rate*	69.70%	69.1%
Houses in Housing Cost Burden (>30% income for rent/mortgage)*	20.70%	21.40%

Industry Employment**

Industry	Rural Wyoming	Wyoming
Ag., Forestry Fishing, Mining	15.19%	12.93%
Arts, Entertainment, Recreation, Accommodation	11.15%	10.43%
Construction	8.15%	7.91%
Education, Health, Social Services	7.35%	8.22%
Finance, Insurance, Real Estate	8.03%	8.44%
Information	1.00%	1.17%
Manufacturing	2.99%	2.98%
Other Services	4.44%	2.98%
Professional, Science, Management, Admin.	7.41%	7.87%
Public Administration	18.62%	18.70%
Retail Trade	9.16%	9.57%
Transport and Utilities	4.33%	4.55%
Wholesale Trade	2.18%	2.61%

* 2010-2016 American Community Survey Estimates

** Bureau of Economic Analysis, State of Wyoming Economic Analysis

State Poverty Targeting: 20x20x17

(controllable programs areas)

FY	Goal	Obligations
2013	NA	2.99%
2014	1.76%	3.76%
2015	15.00%	2.13%
2016	20%	TBD
2017	20%	TBD

State Community Economic Development (CED) Strategy Highlights

- Identify and build partnerships among Wyoming's public and private funding organizations that will help further Community and Economic Development throughout rural Wyoming. Coordination and deployment of scarce resources is especially important during economic downturns.
- Increase multi-partner technical assistance and program delivery to communities needing or requesting development of community and economic strategies. This is being accomplished through the creation of specialized funding groups that focus on core issues such as housing, economic development and infrastructure.
- Identify and create a specialized team approach for projects that require funding throughout Wyoming with an emphasis on high poverty rural census tracts.
- Position USDA Rural Development as a leader in economic and community development. We are working diligently with multiple partners to combine programs and capabilities that will enhance the outcomes to Wyoming's residents and stakeholders.
- Identify assets, partnerships and program opportunities in high poverty rural regions associated with targeted areas including:
 - Wind River Reservation.
 - Communities of Afton, Chugwater, Powell, Cody and Lusk.
 - Identify regional opportunities to work with neighboring states and multi jurisdictional organizations on joint projects and to identify partners/resources to accomplish broader efforts.

Wyoming Rural Development State and Field Offices

